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Dear John:

I enjoyed very much our visit in SHAPE. It was all too short. For years I have kept in very close contact with the SHAPE organization because in private life I spent long periods of time in Paris and, as you know, was close personally to Generals Eisenhower, Gruenther and Norstad.

I hope in the future to arrange time to be brought up to date with your plans and some of your problems.

Theiline and I particularly appreciated your thoughtfulness in sending the lovely basket of fruit to us at the Ritz. We appreciated receiving it and enjoyed it immensely as fresh fruit seems to be carefully excluded from the Ritz Hotel menu.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

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